



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re PATENT APPLICATION OF:

SHELTON, James et al.

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Title: **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR
A SECURE MANAGEMENT PROTOCOL**

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Date: November 12, 2003

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Hon. Commissioner of Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application dated October 29, 2003, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.75(h) and 1.121, please amend the subject application as follows: